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By Jack T. Johnson
Agronomist

Every year I watch people pour time and money into lawns that fail them just when they want their lawns the most.

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VIEWPOINT

Economic Imperative: Planning For Ample Energy

This editorial is exerpted from an article by James McClure (R-Idaho), chairman of the U.S. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

An electricity shortage in the 1990s? The answer to this question—now being debated by government, industry and other "experts"—could very well determine whether the U.S. economy fully recovers and returns to a healthy and sustained level of growth.

To the casual observer, reports about America's future energy needs must seem confusing. Headlines about electricity surpluses are often mixed with warnings of impending blackouts. To help make sense out of these contrasting viewpoints, it is important to examine the time-frame being discussed in the forecasts.

We should be very skeptical of any prediction based largely on our energy experience over the past few years. During this period, the demand for electric power has actually declined for the first time since the mid-1940s.

Business and industry use nearly two-thirds of all electric power. Because of the recent recession, they were forced to lay off workers and idle their factories. Consequently, their consumption of electricity has declined.

As the economy continues its strong recovery—putting millions of Americans back to work—the demand for electric power will surely increase.

Predicting electricity needs a decade or more into the future has only limited use. America is fortunate to have an adequate supply of electric power. And if the plants now under construction are completed on schedule, there should be a comfortable supply of electricity in most of the country through the end of the decade.

"An electricity shortage would stifle economic activity and drive electricity rates sky-high"

But we should not be complacent with a shortsighted perspective. On the average, it takes 10 to 14 years to plan, design, license and construct most large central station power plants. Consequently, we need to plan now for the mid-1990s and even into the 21st century.

The role of electricity is becoming all the more essential as homes, offices and industries become increasingly dependent on this indispensable energy source.

If our economy continues to improve the way we hope, America will need to expand its supply of electric power. There will also be a growing need to replace many of the older, inefficient plants that are now operating—as well as many of our power plants now burning fuels that will become more expensive.

Moreover, our need for additional power could be compounded if many plants now under construction are cancelled because of rising costs or regulatory complications.

The stakes involved in America's electric power decisions are extremely high. I believe that the following principles and policies can help reduce the risks and uncertainties.

First, we need to begin planning now for the electricity plants needed after the mid-1990s. A temporary shortage of electricity will be far more costly to the nation than a temporary surplus.

An electricity shortage would stifle economic activity and drive electricity rates sky-high. If we miscalculate, it should be in planning for more generating capacity than we will need, rather than less.

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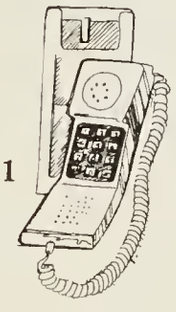

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Cronkite To Lead Anniversary Flotilla

When a flotilla of boats enters the harbor at Manteo next July for the kickoff of America's 400th Anniversary, one of America's best-loved sailing men—Walter Cronkite—will be at the helm of the first vessel.

In a recent letter accepting Gov. Jim Hunt's invitation to serve as flotilla grand marshal, the veteran CBS newsman wrote that he "will be delighted to be there."

Cronkite will lead the parade of some 100 boats as it sails on July 14, from Elizabeth City, down the Pasquotank River, through the Albemarle Sound to Roanoke Island.

Boats will then sail into Manteo's Shallowbag Bay to join the Elizabeth II, a 16th-century sailing ship, on the day after its commissioning and public opening. The flotilla then will continue along Roanoke Island to Wanchese, where the boats will dock for evening festivities.

Walter Cronkite is a celebrated mariner. His recent book *South by Southeast* chronicles his voyage down the Inland Waterway, from Maryland to the Florida Keys. During the trip he took refuge from a storm in Albemarle Sound, where he met members of the Edenton Yacht Club, who later suggested that Gov. Hunt invite him for the flotilla.

Despite his acceptance, Cronkite cautioned the governor that "if a CBS News assignment interferes I shall be forced to cancel," a notice he says that "must be attached to all such acceptances made at such an early date."

The flotilla is being organized by the Roanoke Island, Pasquotank and Edenton yacht clubs. It will sail under the sponsorship of the America's 400th Anniversary Committee, a state group coordinating celebration of the first English colonies in the New World.

Besides the flotilla and the commissioning of the Elizabeth II, the July 13-15 weekend will also feature the issuance of a U.S. postage stamp commemorating the Roanoke Island colonies, an Elizabethan fair and the opening of an N.C. Historic Sites visitor center at the berthing site of the Elizabeth.

There is still room in the flotilla for sailors wishing to join, according to Bev Smith, commodore of the Edenton Yacht Club. It is open to all kinds of boats, whether with masts or motors, but they should be capable of maintaining a speed of five knots. They should have a draft of not more than five feet. The Coast Guard will inspect all boats and escort them along the route.

A registration fee of $25 entitles flotilla members to attend various ceremonial functions and parties and also to receive an official "burgee," or pennant, especially designed to represent the 400th Anniversary.

Interested boaters should write for more information and registration forms to FLOTILLA, America's 400th Anniversary Committee, 109 E. Jones St., Raleigh, NC 27611. Organizers encourage interested sailors to register quickly, while there is still room in the flotilla.

A limited number of people without boats may be able to participate in the flotilla, says Bev Smith. Some flotilla boats may be able to accomodate passengers. Passengers would pay the same registration fee, receive the burgee, and participate in all flotilla activities. Those interested should write to Bev Smith, Commodore, Edenton Yacht Club, 104 Shannon Ct., Rocky Mount, NC 2801.

July 13, 1984, will mark the 400th year since a small English exploratory mission sent by Walter Raleigh landed on the Outer Banks of what is now North Carolina. The 400th Anniversary also celebrates other significant dates in the Roanoke Island settlements including the arrival of what became the "lost colony" and the birth of Virginia Dare, the first English child born in the New World.

Though the Roanoke Island colonies were not permanent, they opened the door for later English settlements at Jamestown and Plymouth Rock and thus to the entire English colonial structure in North America.

Activities during the three-year commemoration include special exhibitions at the state art and history museums, a series of publications, archaeology work at colonial and Indian settlements, and The British American Festival, which occurs in June in Durham. In addition to state-sponsored events, each county has a 400th Anniversary committee to organize programs examining local history over four centuries.

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Second, we must significantly reduce the amount of time required to site, license and construct large generating facilities. Reducing the overall construction period will reduce the costs to construct new power plants, which are ultimately paid for by electric power consumers.

Third, we should plan ahead for the orderly retirement and replacement of our least efficient plants. This includes most of those that burn oil and other fuels that are more important for transportation, heating and other needs.

Controlling electricity costs is essential, not only to reduce the burden on American consumers, but also to help our industry compete in world markets with other industrial countries. If we hope to meet our future economic goals, America will need adequate, affordable and reliable supplies of energy—especially electric power.

As we plan for a healthy and sustained economic recovery, as well as the additional jobs Americans will need in the years ahead, we must remember the essential role of electric power as one of the basic fuels for our industrial society. Failure to plan for its future use could have serious consequences.

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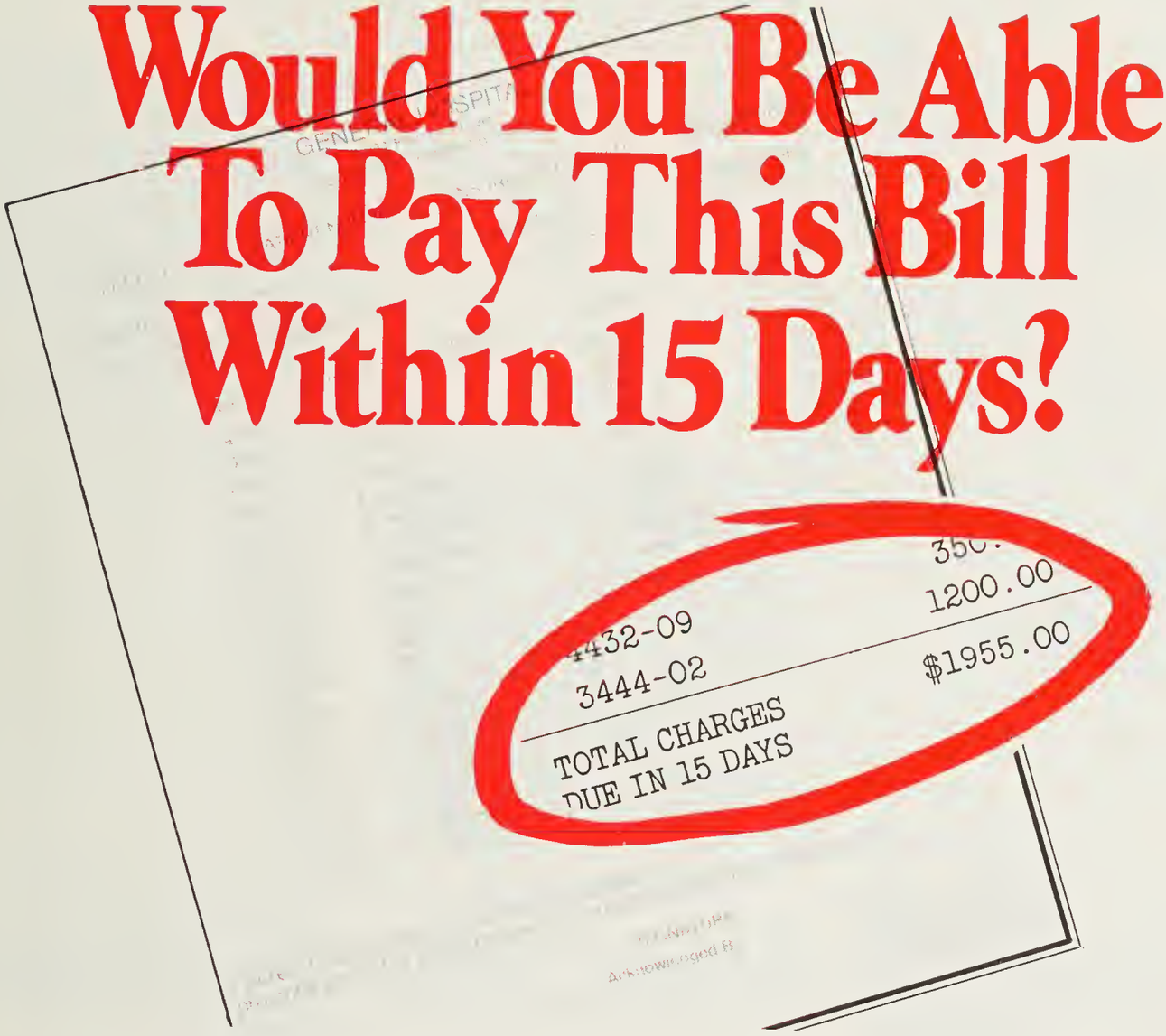

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Rural Cable TV Systems Stalled

Efforts by North Carolina's telephone cooperatives to provide cable television for rural areas of the state have been blocked because of the loss of federal funds for low-interest loans to finance such systems, according to officials of the co-ops.

"We were just totally blocked everywhere we turned," said William McDonald, general manager of Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corp. and president of Tar Heel Telephone Membership Corp.

Tar Heel Telephone was chartered in December, 1980, as a non-profit venture by the state's nine telephone co-ops to provide cable service.

The co-ops serve about 79,000 member-owners in about 13 counties.

McDonald said federal budget cuts and the close-out of special Rural Electrification Administration loans for cable television systems have brought the Tar Heel project to a standstill.

Plans had called for construction of a communications base to receive cable television signals by satellite and distribute them to co-op customers through telephone lines.

The cable co-op's officials are now looking for alternative financing arrangements, but are prohibited from using telephone equipment as security for commercial loans for cable systems.

As a result, some local co-op could form separate, independent corporations to become eligible for commercial loans.

Only one North Carolina co-op, Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation of Shallotte, received a federal loan before the program was discontinued and it provides cable service.

The last of $57.5 million in federal loans and loan guarantees for cable systems was granted in September 1981, when the Reagan administration ended the two-year program.

TOOLS FOR LIVING®

BREATHING BETTER

Indoor air quality can get abysmally low — especially in offices, rooms where people are smoking, houses buttoned up tight for the winter, stuffy overheated city apartments. Here are two newly developed tools that do a bang-up job of improving indoor air — and along with it your comfort, your health and your mood. Tool #1 (shown above) takes out of the air all the things you *don't* want: dust, cigarette smoke, soot, pollen, animal dander. The Orbit air purifier works by producing a stream of negative ions that attach to tiny positively charged dust particles in your home. Since opposites attract and since room surfaces carry a positive charge, unwanted microscopic particles simply fall out of the air. Pollution levels drop, odors disappear, allergies are relieved. The Orbit is 7½″ high, 2″ in diameter with a removable, washable dust collector sleeve. The Orbit air purifier costs **$79.00** ($4.95) #A920. Tool #2 (shown below) puts back into the air the one thing you *do* want — moisture. Low household humidity correlates with a higher incidence of winter colds and respiratory infections. The Douglas humidifier uses ultrasound to break water particles into a mist so fine it diffuses through a 1500 sq. ft. area. Operation is virtually silent, the unit holds one gallon of water, and the cold steam is perfectly safe. It is also ultra-portable — measures only 15″x 6″ x 12″, weighs under 8 lbs. and costs **$139.00** ($10.95) #A887. Both are UL listed.

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Now you can water all your plants in a single trip with this handy indoor garden hose. This 50′ vinyl hose comes with a set of four adaptors that readily attach to most indoor and outdoor faucets. From there you just take the water where you want it — an easy-control handle allows you to turn a splashless stream of water on and off as needed. There's a snap-in misting attachment, so after you water the roots you can spray the foliage. The kit costs **$11.00** ($1.95) #A681. Two for **$19.00** ($2.95) #A6812.

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Edgecombe-Martin Director Retires After 47 Years

A founding director of Edgecombe-Martin County Electric Membership Corporation, Tarboro has retired after 47 years on the EMC's board, the nation's longest record for service on the board of an electric cooperative.

C. W. Mayo of Rt. 1, Tarboro, said he was retiring "with both pride and regrets" because of his long relationship with the EMC.

Mayo was elected to the co-op's first Board of Directors in 1936 and helped guide the developments that led to the EMC's energizing its lines the following year.

During his tenure, he saw the co-op grow from an operation serving only a few hundred members to a system now serving about 8,000 consumer-members in Edgecombe, Martin, Nash, Pitt, Beaufort, Bertie, Wilson and Halifax Counties.

Mayo served the EMC Board as an officer several times, including a stint as president.

W. Kitchin Benson, current president of the board, cited Mayo for his "dedication and hard work" in helping bring electric power to the area.

He said Mayo's contributions to the rural electric program have "earned him the respect and esteem of the directors and employees who worked with him, and the members he served."

UNC-G Offers Evening Program In Accounting

Starting next fall, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro will begin offering an evening program of studies leading to a master of science degree in accounting.

The new degree, which was recently approved by the UNC Board of Governors, will be basically a part-time evening program, according to Dr. Charles Mecimore, head of the Department of Accounting within UNC-G's School of Business and Economics.

"There is no program like this in the region," he said. "Appalachian State University has a master's degree in accounting, but it is basically a full-time day program."

The new program will meet the needs of many people in the accounting profession who need a degree for advancement but who can't afford to interrupt their careers in order to get a degree in a traditional day program, Mecimore said.

He noted that 20 to 30 percent of the students in the program will be full time and they can finish its studies in three semesters. On a part-time basis, students can finish it in three years by taking two courses per semester.

For additional information about the new master's degree, write or call James Ogburn, assistant director of graduate studies in business administration and accounting at UNC-G, Greensboro, N.C., 27412. His phone number is 379-5928.

Co-op Council Elects Officers, Directors

Jim Hubbard, executive vice-president of the statewide organization of North Carolina's Electric Membership Corporations, has been re-elected president of the N.C. Cooperative Council.

Other officers re-elected at the trade association's recent annual meeting were Jacob Grigg of Farm Credit Service, Asheville, first vice-president and Robert Holden of Randolph Telephone Membership Corporation, Asheboro, second vice-president.

Elected to the organization's 17-member Board of Directors for the first time was Ted Lamm of Growers Warehouse, Wilson.

Re-elected to the board were: Aubrey Banks, Carolina Cotton Growers, Raleigh; Larry Shoffner, Farm Credit Service, Monroe; Bobby Shipley, Dairymen, Inc., Greensboro; Robert Caldwell, N.C. Grange Mutual Insurance Co., Greensboro; Robert Dahle, N.C. State University; Brantley DeLoatch, FXC, Inc.

Also, Barbara Deverick, Blue Ridge EMC, Lenoir; Weldon DuPree, World Citrus, Winston-Salem; Thomas Eatman, Carolina PCA, Nashville; W. E. Lane, N.C. Department of Agriculture, Raleigh; Norfleet Sugg, N.C. Peanut Growers, Rocky Mount; Jim Wilder, N.C. Soybean Producers, Raleigh; Vance Yokeley, Coble Dairy, Lexington; Fred Bond, Flue-Cure Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corp., Raleigh and Wade Groce, Yadkin Telephone Membership Corporation, Yadkinville.

Cover: Laurel Mill In Franklin County

Our cover photo this month, by Raleigh professional photographer Allen Westmoreland, is a shot of Laurel Mill in Franklin County.

The mill, which has become a popular spot for various outdoor outings, was bought and restored 12 years ago by Mr. and Mrs. William C. Holmes.

They saw the property on Sandy Creek while vacationing in the area from their home in Detroit and decided to move there upon retirement.

The couple now lives in a mobile home near the mill and operate it as a hobby, grinding corn and wheat and selling meal at the site.

In addition to restoring the mill, Holmes has built a 20-kilowatt hydroelectric system that provides power for heating and water-heating.

The mill is in the Edward Best community about 10 miles east of Louisburg.

Energy TV Series' Schedule Revised

"Saving Energy," the six-part public television series offering energy-saving tips, is currently airing on the University of North Carolina Center for Public Television network on Thursdays and Saturdays.

The series is hosted by Mike Gray, a television editor with the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service and a co-host of the Center's "Almanac" series.

The energy series debuted Feb. 2 and is being broadcast at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday in February as well as on March 1 and 8. Repeats of each weekly show air on Saturdays at 5 p.m.

The *Carolina Country* story about the series in its January issue included a broadcast schedule that was later revised by Center programming officials.

Medal Presentation To Honor State's War Dead

Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. will honor North Carolina's war dead in ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery Feb. 24 by placing a handcrafted gold, platinum and enamel medal in the Memorial Amphitheatre at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The medal, by well-known designer Kathleen Doyle of Penland, will take its place among the more than 35 other states' memorials to fallen heroes.

The citation on the metal plaque below the medal reads: "This medal is hereby dedicated to the memory of all North Carolina veterans who rest in honored glory in Arlington National Cemetery and cemeteries throughout the world.

Maj. Gen. John L. Ballentine, commanding general of the Washington district, will be host for the ceremonies, which will include an honor guard, color guard and two platoons of service men.

The presentation will be the culmination of several years' efforts to honor North Carolina's veterans with an appropriate memorial at Arlington.

The North Carolina General Assembly adopted legislation in 1981 authorizing the Department of Cultural Resources to commission the medal.

A three-member selection committee chose Ms. Doyle's design after reviewing proposals from several Tar Heel artists.

The design in gold, platinum and enamel incorporates an outline of the state surrounded by the sea with stars in a night sky above, representing the North Carolinians who died in wars on land, on the sea and in the sky.

Several other Tar Heel craftsmen had a part in the making of the North Carolina memorial. Michael McMillian handcrafted the box, while the ribbon on the medal was handwoven of blue and gold silk by Chealsea Miller. The plaque beneath the medal was hand engraved by Tim Buchanan.

Former Extension Director Honored

A former director of the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service has been awarded the highest honor of Epsilon Sigma Phi, the national extension fraternity.

Dr. T. Carlton Blalock was presented with the organization's Distinguished Service Ruby in recognition of his leadership in pesticide education programs, success in fostering an extension advisory leadership system and service on national committees.

Blalock, who retired in 1981 after a 30-year extension career, is now executive vice-president of the Tobacco Growers Association of North Carolina.

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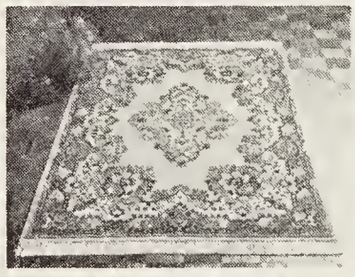
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Prune Cold-Hurt Plants In Spring

Extremely cold temperatures across North Carolina this winter may have turned the leaves on some of your shrubs brown, making the plants look completely dead.

If that's the case, specialists with the N.C. Agriculture Extension Service suggest that you delay pruning until the plant buds open in the spring. Then, you can see how much of the plant was killed during the winter.

Judiciously prune the plants after the buds open, the specialists say. You may have to totally reshape the plant if damage is severe.

To prevent further damage to your plants for the rest of the winter, keep them watered adequately for the plants continue to need water through the winter season.

The specialists pointed out that plants continue to transpire water through their leaves, especially on sunny and windy days—and plant roots are unable to absorb water that's frozen in the ground. They added that broad-leaved evergreens are especially susceptible to injury from not getting enough water in the winter.

Free Fishing Guide Offered

Copies of the *1984 Mepps Fishing Guide* are being offered without charge by Sheldon's Inc., makers of Mepps fishing lures.

The 52-page color booklet includes fishing tips, recipes, fish stories with photos and original fish illustrations, with much of the material drawn from letters from fishermen across the country.

The guide contains a section on individual game fish covering their habits and where to look for them and a section covering conservation news and new fishing techniques.

To order a copy of the guide, write to T. Layton Shepherd, Mepps Fishing Guide, CS508, Dept. 1504, Antigo, Wisc. 54409-0508.

Agency Issues Safety Alerts

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has issued safety alerts on masonry and factory-built chimneys, and a musical action crib and pull toy.

The chimneys in question, which are those being connected to wood and coal stoves, may present a severe fire hazard.

Owners of such chimneys, the agency advises, should be sure the chimney and stove pipe were installed currently, have the chimney checked at least once a year by a qualified "chimney sweep" and always operate the appliance according to the manufacturers' recommended temperature limits. Too low a temperature increases creosote build-up and too high a temperature may lead to a fire.

The crib and pull toy that may be hazardous is the Musical Rock-A-Bye Railroad, No. 2010, which is distributed by the Janex Corporation, 19 Wardell Circle, Oceanport, N.J. It may present choking, aspiration and ingestion hazards because of small parts that can break off.

The company has agreed to provide redesigned toys to consumers as replacements for No. 2010 and to provide credit to retailers and wholesalers who destroy the product.

For more information about any of these safety alerts, call the agency's toll-free hotline: 800-638-CPSC.

Home Folks

Three Tar Heels have been presented with Distinguished Service Awards by the National 4-H Agents' Association. They are **Becky Beets**, Watauga County extension 4-H agent; **Pam Outen**, Cabarrus County home economics agent and **Sue Peck**, a former Mecklenburg County 4-H extension agent . . . . . **Dr. George C. Edwards**, assistant director of the Veterinary Division, has been named State Veterinarian and director of the Veterinary Division of the N.C. Department of Agriculture. Dr. Edwards' appointment will be effective July 1, following the retirement of **State Veterinarian Thomas F. Zweigart**. Edwards, a Nash County native, joined the NCDA Veterinary Division in 1973 . . . . . **Gov. James B. Hunt Jr.** has been selected as one of eight recipients of the 1984 national 4-H alumni awards. He will receive the Golden Key Award at the National 4-H Congress next November . . . . . **Marshall B. Bass**, corporate vice president of R. J. Reynolds Industries, Inc., has been named one of ten recipients of the 1983 Blackbook Award for outstanding business and professional achievements. The awards, which are given by the publisher of *Blackbook International Reference Guide* and *Dollars and Sense* magazine, recognizes minority men and women who can serve as role models for minority youth. . . . . **Jane L. Ebert**, Davidson County home economics extension agent, has been presented with the Florence Hall Award from the N.C. Association of Extension Home Economists, citing her for her innovative techniques for getting nutrition information to non-traditional audiences. . . . . **Mrs. Ebert** and three other North Carolina extension home economists were also honored recently by the National Association of Extension Home Economists. The organization's Distinguished Service Awards went to **Mrs. Ebert**, **Helen H. Dozier**, Alleghany County Chairman; **Mavis G. Johnson**, Cumberland County home economics agent and **Lois P. Williams**, Mitchell County home economics agent. . . . . **Robert Youngdeer**, chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Cherokee, has been appointed by President Reagan to the National Advisory Council on Indian Education.

Say Good-Bye To The "Good Ole Days" Of Telephone Service

In this special section, the Carolina Country staff explores how North Carolinians will be affected by the fallout from the AT&T break-up and telephone industry deregulation.

The Telephone Industry Shake-Up
Part 2

Whether you get telephone service from Southern Bell, an independent company or a cooperative, once the fallout from deregulation and the AT&T break-up reaches North Carolina's grassroots, you'll feel essentially the same effect:

Higher rates and less service.

That's the assessment of various industry observers across the state, all of whom agreed that this double-barreled upheaval of telephone service will come to be seen as the end of the industry's "good ole days."

"Historians are going to look back on this and wonder why in the world the American people 'fixed' something that didn't need fixing," sighed William McDonald, manager of Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corporation, Yadkinville.

He said the 79,000 member-owners of the state's nine telephone co-ops are likely to be the hardest hit by higher costs simply because of the sprawling nature of the areas they serve, where they have an average of four consumers per mile of line compared to 60 per mile for Southern Bell.

McDonald's remarks were seconded by Cecil Smith, manager of Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation, Belhaven, who serves as president of the Carolina-Virginia Telephone Membership Association.

The industry's transformation "is going to be disastrous," for many consumers, especially those in rural areas, he said.

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"People making real good salaries are going to be able to pay for it, but there will be many people who need this service that we're going to take it away from. In the rural areas, we're faced with so much more cost."

The rural vs. urban disparity in costs is unavoidable because serving rural areas takes "more poles, more wire to cover longer distances," said Robert Gruber, executive director of the N.C. Utilities Commission's Public Staff.

He pointed out that the commission has thus far refused to deregulate the industry within North Carolina, but efforts are being made in the General Assembly to adopt legislation allowing competition inside the state's borders.

Meanwhile, the major companies serving the state are moving to respond to the new national structure by asking the commission for authority to raise their rates for local service.

Southern Bell has already filed for a rate hike of about 50 percent and officials of the firm expect to be asking for even more later. Other companies will soon be following suit. Even Carolina Telephone, which has raised its rates only four times in the past quarter-century, is expected to ask for massive rate increases.

No one knows yet just how much local telephone rates will go up under the new arrangement, but some experts say consumers may see their bills double or triple, no matter who provides their service.

Local service has traditionally been

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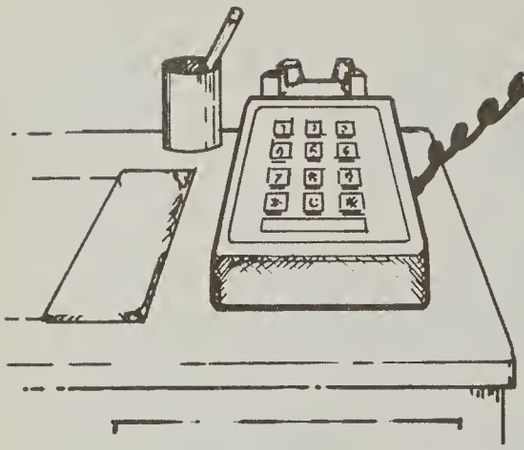

Say Goodbye To "Good Ole Days" Of Telephone Service

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provided at below-cost rates, with long distance revenues more than making up the difference. Now, without that sort of blended rate, local and long distance services must each eventually stand alone financially.

On paper, the deregulation plans envisioned the rising local rates to be balanced by lower long distance rates due to competition. But that element will be of little help to rural consumers because the private long-distance companies will be concentrating their marketing efforts on the lucrative urban centers.

As a result, long distance calls placed out-of-state will cost rural consumers more than their city cousins, as the private companies such as MCI and GTE-Sprint are undercutting AT&T prices in the cities and siphoning off big hunks of business. These are losses that must be made up somewhere.

As long as North Carolina laws prohibit deregulation of telephone service, long distance rates on calls within the state will remain the same for all consumers—wherever they live. But pressure is mounting to change that law.

The Utilities Commission's Robert Gruber said, "Right now, if you live in a rural area, you pay the same as someone in Durham or Raleigh. But if we don't maintain it that way, rates are liable to increase in rural areas. I can't say that we can stop it indefinitely."

Meanwhile, profits from renting, leasing and selling telephones—profits that previously helped to keep local service low—will go to stockholders or somewhere else under the new setup. As a result, local bills will have to go up that much more to make up for the loss. Since the telephone industry makes millions on rentals and sales each year, the impact of that loss will be significant.

In addition, if your phone stops working, you can no longer expect the phone company's all-purpose repairman to come out and fix any and all problems—without charge. If he arrives on the scene to find that the problem is in your home's telephone wiring or the phone you own, you'll be billed for his visit at stiff rates.

For example, AT&T plans to charge residential customers for phone installations or repair visits at the rate of $40 for the first 15 minutes and $20 for each additional 15 minutes. At those rates, repairs could become expenses you'd need to save up for.

The consumer who owns his phone will also face some new problems related to keeping it in working order. Most phones now on the market are designed to last only a few years, which means they'll eventually have to be replaced. Most are guaranteed for only a year, which means you'll be responsible for getting repairs done after that—at rates that can quickly tally up to be more than the cost of a new phone.

Your only alternative to paying these repair costs is to continue leasing your phone or make the repairs yourself—if you have the expertise.

But there'll be no alternative to the other new features of the deregulated telephone industry, whether they involve costs or quality of service.

This and all the other changes that'll flow from telephone industry deregulation and the break-up of AT&T will amount to simply "getting the people to pay for the service they get," said Ron Stamey, a Southern Bell district manager based in Raleigh.

That concept, said Tri-County Telephone's Cecil Smith, will bring far-reaching effects that'll make the telephone industry "far different from what it's been in the past."

Industry's New Structure Allows For Maintaining The Status Quo In Using those "Old" Telephones

If the new structure of the nation's telephone industry has arrived to find you sitting back with all your "old" phones still in place, what do you do now?

You can do as fellow Tar Heel Andy Griffith advises in those new AT&T television commercials and leave those phones right where they are.

You can continue to lease them just as you have in the past—or buy them at discounted prices.

These options are extended to you under a kind of "grandfather clause" in the deregulated telephone service arrangement, according to industry sources.

If you're a Bell system customer, of course, you'll now be leasing your phones from AT&T rather than Bell—and AT&T will guarantee to allow this "status quo" for only the next two years. After that, you may have no choice but to come up with your own equipment in one way or another.

Meanwhile, other companies are likely to allow you to continue the present set up only until you move or need a change of service.

In either case, new customers must start out with their own phones.

Industry observers say most telephone companies are eager to get out of the phone-leasing business because it's not very lucrative. For one thing, the phones must be maintained and repaired without extra charge.

In addition, when consumers buy their own phones, the companies have an opportunity for earning a profit on the sale of the equipment—and a chance to earn more whenever repairs are needed.

Industry's "New Look": A Face Lift, Not Major Surgery

Despite all the hoopla associated with the "new look" of the nation's telephone industry, the recent changes appear to be essentially a sort of face lift—not major surgery.

The industry's new "face" has, indeed, been transformed, but the bone structure underneath has changed very little.

Analysis

Although AT&T went under a court-ordered scalpel intended to separate long-distance and local services, the two will continue to be linked internally for some time to come.

Deregulation was prescribed as a means of reshaping the competitive forces at work within the industry, but the Federal Communications Commission will continue to play a regulatory role.

Behind the new "face," the industry will use a new bookkeeping system for allowing local companies to share AT&T's long-distance revenues, according to industry observers.

This new method of splitting those revenues involves what the FCC has dubbed, "carrier access charges." They're charges AT&T must pay the local companies for the use of local lines in routing long-distance calls.

These charges, which are expected to be part of the industry from now on, are distinct from consumer access charges" which have become quite controversial.

The FCC had proposed that such charges be applied to all consumers whether or not they use any long-distance lines. But, in response to consumer protests, the agency has postponed implementation of these charges until next year.

Meanwhile, Congress is considering legislation that would ban the charges outright.

Industry sources say both types of access charges were intended to help local companies remain financially healthy while the new industry structure gets established.

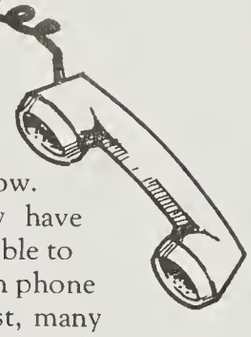
In order to do that, all the revenues involved would have to stay with the local companies.

In effect, then, the consumer access charge amounts to another increase in local rates.

Meanwhile, many observers say the controversy over these charges may be pointless because local rates are certain to go up anyway as AT&T moves toward reducing long-distance rates.

That move has been part of AT&T's plans for some time, as the company has seen many businesses—including Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation, Lenoir—drop traditional telephone service and build their own communications systems.

Businesses have been far and away the heaviest users of long-distance services and they've long been paying rates that were intentionally inflated so the extra revenues could be used to keep local rates low.



Now that they have technology available to provide their own phone service at less cost, many businesses are eager to do so.

As that trend gained strength, it became obvious that AT&T would have to lower its rates or lose substantial revenues. Such losses would have brought on even higher long-distance rates and higher local service rates as well.

AT&T continues to feel the pressure to lower its rates, but the FCC won't approve the step now because of its ripple effect: reducing local companies' cash flow as they split a smaller revenue "pie" with AT&T, forcing them to raise local service rates even more.

Chances are the agency can't put off reductions in AT&T rates indefinately.

In the meantime, the FCC is searching for a mechanism that'll shelter the companies and their consumers from the ripple effect.

Another Major Change Looms On The Horizon: Per Call Billings For Local Service

Amid the recent changes in the telephone industry, authorities in the field are already seeing another sweeping change on the horizon: billing for each local call just as it's now done for long distance.

The procedure is already part of the planning for General Telephone Co., according to Terry Desmond, the firm's North Carolina general manager.

He says the company may seek approval of the system later this year, although the State Utilities Commission has already turned down a move by Southern Bell to institute a similar plan.

Desmond says per-call billing is considered the fairest way to charge for local service since all customers would pay according to how much they use the telephone.

Under the proposed system, the "standard" fee for local service would be replaced with a toll charge for each call, based on how long each call takes.

Opponents of the proposed system argue that it is unfair because the telephone company's costs are essentially the same whether a customer makes one call or hundreds each month. They call it a gimmick that's simply designed to increase telephone company revenues without any additional investment by the company.

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The minister continued, "Come on, you people are not getting into the spirit of this thing. I know he wasn't the nicest guy in the world, but surely someone has a kind word."

The silence continued. The minister was getting annoyed. "Now, we can't bury this man unless somebody has a good word for him." Finally from the back of the room, a little woman raised her hand, "Well, his brother was even meaner!"

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When the battered motorist slowly came to, his first words were, "Where am I?"

"Take it easy," the nurse whispered, "You're in 114."

The motorist waited a moment, then asked meekly, "Room or cell?"

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Little Gwen was visiting a farm for the first time in her life and was delighted with the baby lambs playing in the grass.

After much coaxing, she walked up and petted one. Delighted, she exclaimed, "Why, it's made out of blankets!"

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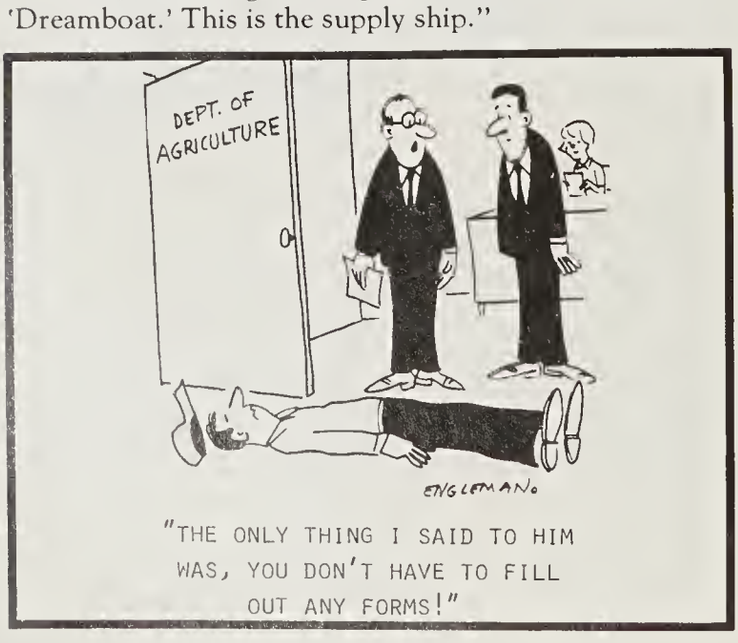


"THE ONLY THING I SAID TO HIM WAS, YOU DON'T HAVE TO FILL OUT ANY FORMS!"

ONE GREAT RECIPE

By Penny Joyce

Ground beef is versatile. You can shape it into burgers or meatballs and you can use it for a quick and easy skillet supper.

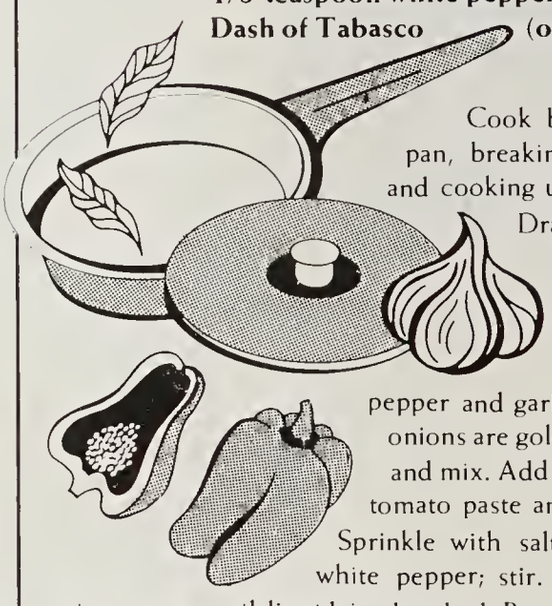
If you're keeping an eye on cholesterol, after browning the meat, pour it into a colander and run warm water over it to drain off all the grease. It won't affect the flavor in the least.

There are countless variations on Ground Beef Skillet. One of my favorites calls for browning the meat, mixing it with sauteed onions, then adding a can of tomato sauce. Simmer until all the liquid's gone, then serve it over rice or pasta.

The recipe that follows seasons the meat with sherry and cumin. It's a good one to remember when you're cooking in a hurry:

GROUND BEEF SKILLET

1 pound ground beef
1 onion, chopped
1 green pepper, chopped
2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
2 to 3 tablespoons corn oil
½ cup sherry
½ cup water
2 tablespoons tomato paste
2 bay leaves
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon cumin
1/8 teaspoon white pepper
Dash of Tabasco (optional)



Cook beef in frying pan, breaking into pieces and cooking until browned. Drain off grease. Remove from pan.

In same pan, cook onion, pepper and garlic in oil until onions are golden. Add beef and mix. Add sherry, water, tomato paste and bay leaves. Sprinkle with salt, cumin and white pepper; stir. Simmer 10 minutes, or until liquid is absorbed. Remove bay leaves. Season with Tabasco, if desired.

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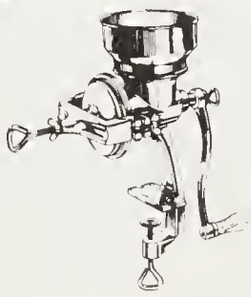

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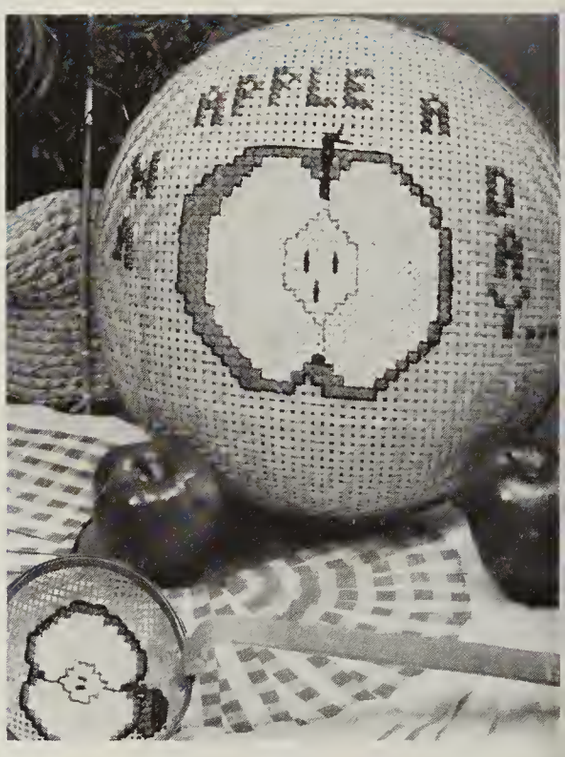

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Submitted by Mrs. Lorraine Mummert of Lenoir

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1 tsp. salt
1/4 cup shortening
1 pkg. dry yeast
1/4 cup warm water
1 egg
2 cups whole wheat flour
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
melted butter

Scald milk; stir in sugar, salt, and shortening. Cool mixture to lukewarm. Sprinkle yeast in warm water; stir until yeast is dissolved. Add milk mixture, egg, and whole wheat flour, beating until smooth. Add flour to make a soft dough.

Place in a greased bowl, turning to grease top. Cover and let rise in a warm place 1 1/2 to 2 hours or until doubled in bulk.

Punch dough down; turn out on a lightly floured board. Roll half of dough into a circle about 10 inches in diameter and 1/4 inch thick. Cut into 12 wedges, and brush with melted butter.

Roll each wedge tightly, beginning at wide end. Seal points. Place on greased baking sheets with point underneath; curve into crescent shape. Cover and let rise 45 minutes to 1 hour or until doubled in bulk.

Bake at 400 degrees about 10 to 12 minutes or until browned. Yield: about two dozen.

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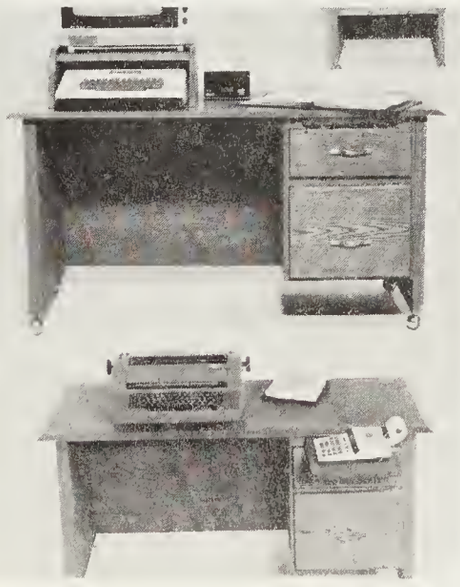

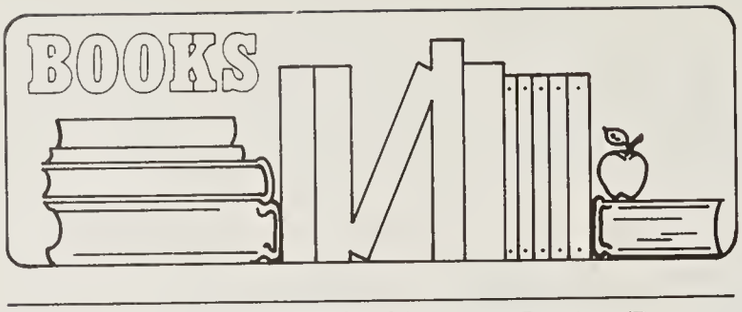

Heart Of The Country by Bland Simpson, Seaview/Putnam, 315 pages $17.95.

You don't have to be an aficionado of country music—you don't even have to like it at all—to pick up on the universal human rhythms Bland Simpson sets down in *Heart of the Country.*

Simpson, who is himself an accomplished musician (he helped write the critically- praised musical "Diamond Studs" several years ago), and who teaches writing at Chapel Hill, chronicles the colorful world and people of the American country music industry in this winning first novel.

Although country music fans will have little trouble spotting many of their favorite superstars thinly veiled behind some of Simpson's characters, the novel goes well beyond a simple *roman a clef.*

There is, for example, Simpson's remarkable command of the language. This almost biblically rhapsodic passage from the novel's opening "overture" makes the point.

"In the beginning, country music was tied to the land, and to all the land sounds, the wind, the rain, the shriek of the raven and the coo of the dove, the turning of millwheels, the jingle of trace chains as men and women sang to each other and to their children and to the animals that worked the land with them."

But the delights of this book go well beyond the prose. There is a jaunty cast of characters, running the gamut from rapscallion to hopeless romantic. There is complex, but ultimately plausible love story. And there is a tale of betrayal and greed that would do "Dallas" proud.

Simpson's heroine is Bonnie Montreat, a sweet-voiced, big-busted young woman who, as intended, will call to mind Dolly Parton. We watch Bonnie, her earnest brother Bumper, and her kissing cousin Treat, individually and together, try to carve out a place for themselves in the volatile, sometimes cut-throat world of the Nashville sound.

For comic relief, Simpson throws in bumptuous country superstar Bomar Talley and the always unpredictable Johnnny Rex Packard, an albino gospel singer who is portrayed as much more than a grotesque caricature. Backstabbing Preston Hewett, a Harvard-educated picker and singer—a dead ringer for Kris Kristofferson—rounds out the story's primary cast.

Perhaps as this review suggests, Simpson really never gets around to nailing down a well-developed plot for *"Heart of the Country."* There are all sorts of intriguing subplots—most of them involving Bonnie Montreat and her quest for stardom—that bump into each other. Nevertheless, the strongly-drawn characters and their always-interestisng interplay with one another more than compensate for the sometimes annoyingly unfocused story line.

"Heart of the Country," then, is an appropriately rough-hewn piece of work about a raucous, purely American subculture. Even when it occasionally falters, Simpson's story sings with all the fervor and gusto of the hard-driving, hard-loving characters he has created.

—*Rod Cockshutt*

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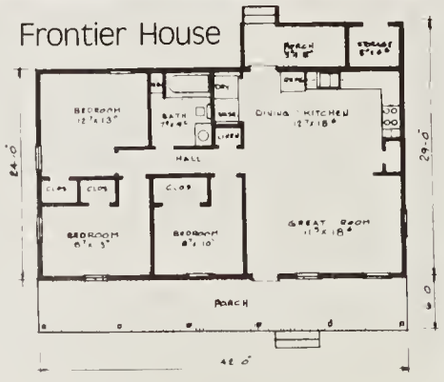

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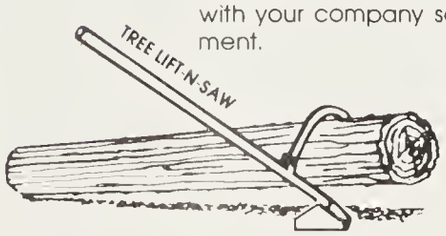

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Rain in Feburary is
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February's wintery days are already giving way to hints of spring as early flowering bulbs and shrubs begin showing hints of color. This is the month for planning—getting ready for planting, which is only a few weeks away.

Lawn Care

If fallen leaves continue to cover your lawn, give priority to your efforts to remove them this month. Tender grass can be killed by a number of problems that are associated with a cover of leaves: diseases, insects, too much shade and moisture.

Stock up on a complete fertilizer such as 8-8-8 or equivalent for application to the lawn just as new growth begins. Apply 15-20 pounds per 1,000 square feet. Or, use fertilizer recommended as the result of a recent soil test.

Force Spring

Branches of such spring-flowering trees and shrubs as pussy willow, forsythia, flowering quince, almond and peach can be brought indoors to force into bloom.

Place cut branches in water and keep them in a cool room with subdued light. Flowers should open in two or three weeks.

Cleaning Foliage Plants

One key to attractive house plants is an occasional cleaning. This keeps foliage bright and glossy. Cleaning may be done every two to four weeks, using a damp sponge or soft cloth.

When rubbed, natural waxes and oils on the leaf surface usually will produce a high gloss. Extremely soiled leaves may be washed with a solution of mild soap and warm water. Let leaves air-dry, then polish with a dry cloth.

Plants with hairy leaves, such as African violets, are more difficult to clean. Dust them with a soft camel-hair brush; this may be all the cleaning they need. An occasional syringing with clean, warm water is also beneficial. Don't use water that is cooler than room temperature. Cold water can cause spotting of leaves on some plants.

Commercial leaf polishes are available at garden centers. These are easily applied, but water plants several hours before applying polish to prevent leaf burn.

Do not use oil of any kind on leaves.

Set Out Pansy Plants

Although pansies usually are planted in the fall for cool-season enjoyment, they still can be set out this month for continuous flower color until hot weather arives.

Pansies do well in flower beds, planter boxes, patio pots, and window-boxes. Plant them in rich, moist soil where they will receive about six hours of full sunlight each day.

Keep the soil surface mulched for moisture retention, and fertilize moderately with a complete fertilizer applied every two weeks.

Don't Prune In Haste

Winter's severe freezes have caused serious damage to many plants. Some often will make a slow recovery, others may be killed through the root system.

Give nature a chance to bring the plant back—hold off on pruning until the time for spring's tender growth buds to appear. Some plants have suffered freeze-damage only a few inches down the stems and branches. More tender plants have been frozen to the ground, and damage can extend to the roots.

After growth buds begin to appear on the stems, cut back to live wood. Wood that is not frozen will be green just beneath the bark. Wood that has been killed will show brown or black beneath the bark. Often the inside of the stem will be streaked with brown or black.

In pruning, make the cut just above a healthy growth bud which contains tiny green leaves. If the plant shows no signs of life by late spring, cut it back to the ground. Sometimes, if the roots are not dead, new growth will appear from the root system.

Get A Head Start On Annuals

Slow-growing annuals such as petunia, periwinkle, dusty miller, snapdragon, verbena, coleus, cosmos, lobelia and salpiglossis may be started in shallow containers or seed flats. Within eight to ten weeks these annuals should be ready to transplant to the fower garden.

Fill the container with a mixture of equal parts of sand, soil from the garden area and peat. Level the soil surface. Mark off rows with a straight edge such as a ruler.

Sow seeds, and cover lightly with vermiculite or soil. Sprinkle gently

with water. Or set the container in a shallow pan of water until the top of the soil is moist.

Place the container in a fairly warm spot with good light and keep soil mixture moist. After seedlings have formed true leaves, transplant to indidivual pots.

When danger of frost is past and plants are large enough, they can be transplanted to their permanent locations in the garden.

More hardy flower seed that may be sown directly in the garden include annual phlox, hollyhock, calendula, balsam and California poppy.

Planting Trees and Shrubs

Container-grown, balled-and-burlaped, and bare-root trees and shrubs can be planted through February, often until mid-March. This is the last month for successful planting of bare-root plants.

Don't neglect trees and shrubs that were set out earlier. Maintain a mulch around them. And, if there should not be ample rainfall, water them during mild periods when the ground is not frozen.

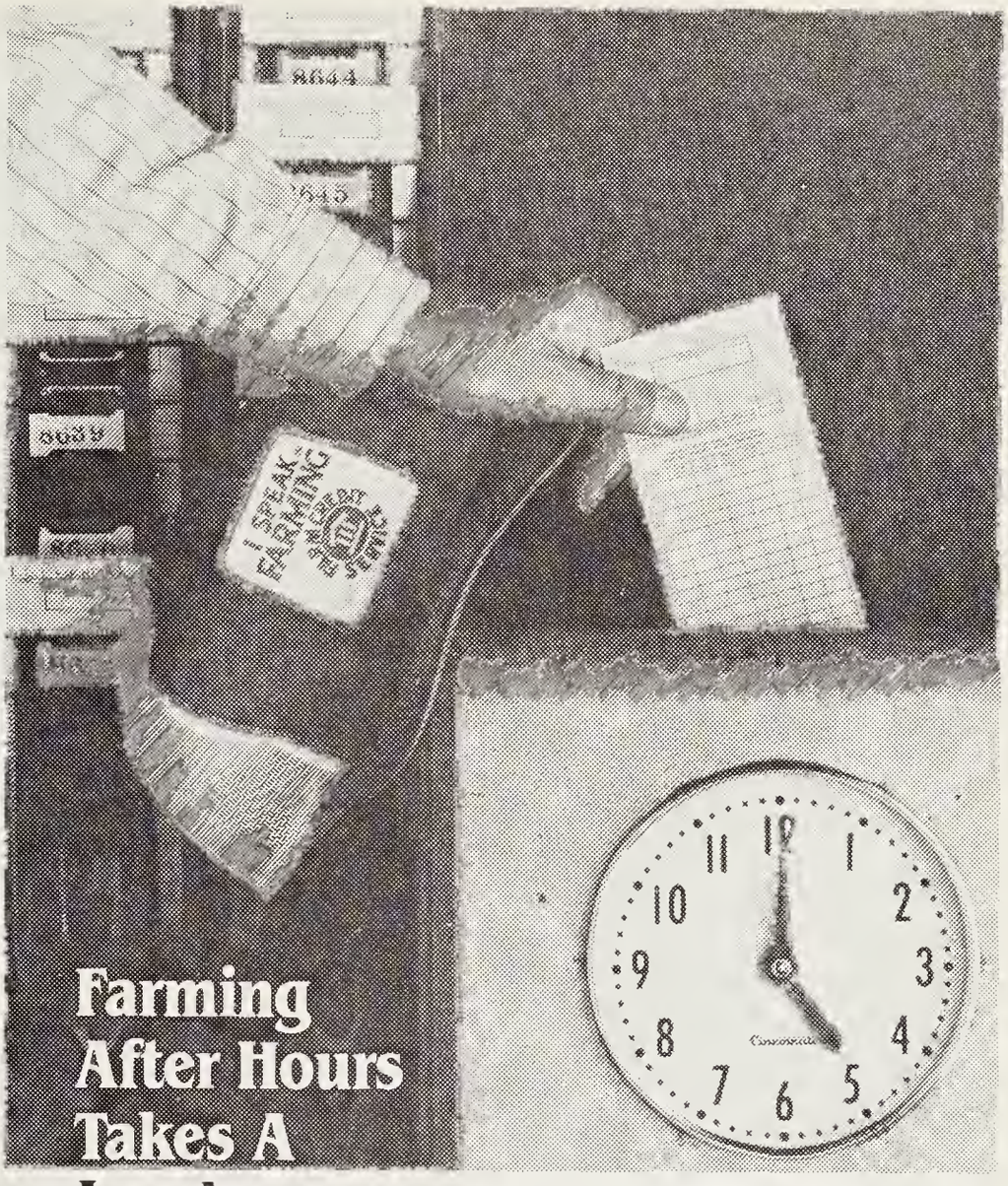
If you need to change the location of a tree or shrub because it is too crowded, or is getting too much or too little sunshine, or is suffering from poor drainage, move it now. All transplanting should be completed this month.

Make Room for Vegetables

For your vegetable garden, select a sunny, well-drained location. Make certain that the area has no root competition from trees and large shrubs.

Spread three or four inches of organic matter such as peat, compost, or well-rotted manure over the entire plot. Mix thoroughly into the top eight inches of soil.

In early- to mid-March it will be time to plant English peas, lettuce, spinach, onions, turnips, radishes and beets.



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This magazine illustration by Howard Pyle is part of the exhibition, "Howard Pyle and the Wyeths: Four Generations of American Imagination," which is currently at the North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh. Titled "The Burning Ship," it was painted in 1898 and appeared in the Dec. 10, 1904 Collier's Weekly.

Museum Exhibitions Feature Works By Wyeths and Four Award-Winning Tar Heel Artists

The North Carolina Museum of Art is currently spotlighting works by four Tar Heel artists and the art of three generations of the noted Wyeth family of artists.

The North Carolina artists were each awarded fellowships from the N.C. Arts Council in 1982.

The exhibit of their works includes blown glass and paintings by William Bernstein of Burnsville; photography by Jim Collins, formerly of Marshville; a mix media wall installation by Kim Irwin of Chapel Hill and paintings by Clarence Morgan of Greenville.

The exhibition, which will be open through April 8, was organized by the Green Hill Center for North Carolina Art in Greensboro.

The $5,000 fellowships are awarded annually by the Arts Council to North Carolina artists based on their past achievements and promising future. It is given to visual artists in even-numbered years and to writers, composers and choreographers in odd-numbered years. Most of the works in the exhibit have been completed since the fellowships were presented.

Bernstein's work in glass, for which the artist has achieved national recognition, is represented by five vessels in the exhibition. To illustrate the artist's work in other media, the exhibition includes two paintings in acrylics on paper.

The black neighborhoods of Wadesboro provided subjects for Collins' "Wadesboro Portraits," a series of photographs represented in the exhibition by five silver prints.

A sense of fun and high spirits typifies Kim Irvin's installation pieces. The artist whimsically redefines the wall of the gallery by applying painted fabric cutouts, then suggests an environment for her figures by adding columns, canopies and other devices.

Four small acrylic/collage works and a larger acrylic painting by Clarence Morgan are included in the exhibition, demonstrating the artist's style in these two distinct formats. The artist is an assistant professor in the School of Art at East Carolina University, Greenville.

The Wyeths' art is part of a separate exhibit titled, "Howard Pyle and the Wyeths: Four Generations of American Imagination." It traces common themes in the work of 19th-century American illustrator Howard Pyle and of N.C., Andrew and Jamie Wyeth.

Pyle (1858-1911), the foremost American illustrator of his time, founded the "Brandywine School" in the Brandywine Valley near Chadds Ford, Pa., where all four artists have lived and worked.

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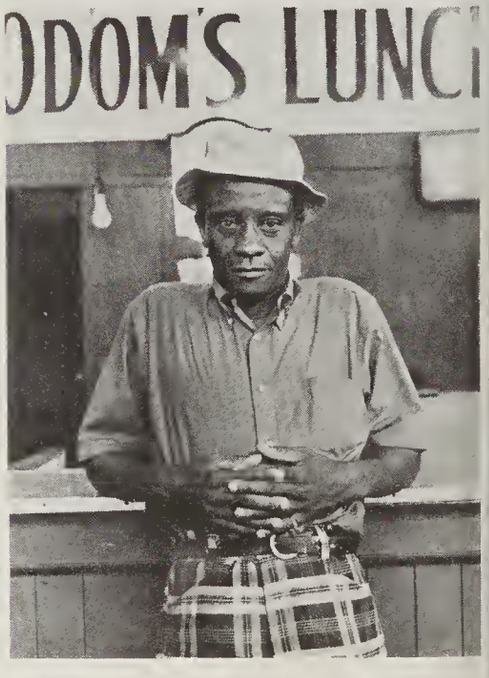

This silver print by Jim Collins, formerly of Marshville, is part of his series, "Wadesboro Portraits." Photos from that series are part of the N.C. Museum of Art's current exhibit of works by four North Carolina Arts Council Fellowship winners.

Story of King Arthur and His Knights. His pupil N.C. Wyeth (1882-1945) continued this narrative tradition primarily in book illustrations for classics such as *Treasure Island, Kidnapped* and *Robin Hood.*

Toward the end of his career, however, N.C. Wyeth began to experiment with landscapes, portraits and other independent works.

N.C. Wyeth's son Andrew (born 1917), was interested in illustration as a young artist, but quickly moved into the mainstream of independent painting to become one of the most successful painters of our time. Included in the exhibition are landscapes, portraits and other works by Andrew Wyeth.

In the work of Jamie Wyeth (born 1946) the familiar subjects of his father, grandfather and Howard Pyle assume an eerie, surreal quality. Jamie Wyeth's portraits become disturbing images, as with his portrait of artist Andy Warhol, which confronts the viewer with an expressionless stare.

The North Carolina artists in the current exhibit were each awarded fellowships from the North Carolina Arts Council in 1982

Included in the exhibition are about 60 paintings, drawings and sketches by the four artists, ranging from an 1877 magazine illustration by Howard Pyle to 1982 works by Jamie Wyeth. Also in the exhibition are first editions of six books illustrated by N.C. Wyeth.

The exhibition, which was organized by the Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis, Tenn., will be featured at the museum through April 1.

Gallery hours at the museum are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. No admission is charged. For information, call (919) 833-1935.

Coming Exhibits: Pottery To European Art

Exhibits at the North Carolina Museum of Art during the remainder of 1984 will feature works ranging from Jugtown pottery to 17th century European paintings. The schedule follows:

March 1-May 20 — Paul Dipasquale: Oversize sculptures of human figures, cast in fiber glass and painted. The realistically executed figures are placed in humorous, surrealistic situations. **April 28-June 3 — North Carolina Artists Exhibition:** A juried exhibition of about 100 works by North Carolina residents, designed to provide a showcase for new artistic developments in the state. **May 5-August 19 — Jugtown Pottery:** An exhibition from the museum's own collection, demonstrating outside influences on the rich local traditions of the North Carolina Piedmont. **June 9-Sept. 9 — Gilbert and George/Richard Long:** Large photomurals and stone sculpture by these internationally celebrated contemporary British artists. **July 7-Sept 2 — Baroque Paintings from Bob Jones University:** Seventeenth century European paintings from the Bob Jones Collection of Religious Art, considered one of the finest private collections of baroque paintings in the U.S. **Sept. 8-Nov. 25 — John Menapace:** Black and white photographs by John Menapace of Durham, whose work as a photographer has been widely recognized in the Southeast. **Sept. 29-Nov. 25 — American Art Since 1970: Painting, Sculpture and Drawings from the Collection of the Whitney Museum of American Art:** These works demonstrate the variety and energy of American art over the past 13 years. **Sept. 29-Dec. 2 — Roger Brown:** Twelve paintings by the noted American artist, whose cartoon-like style points with humor to the absurdities, danger and beauty of modern life.

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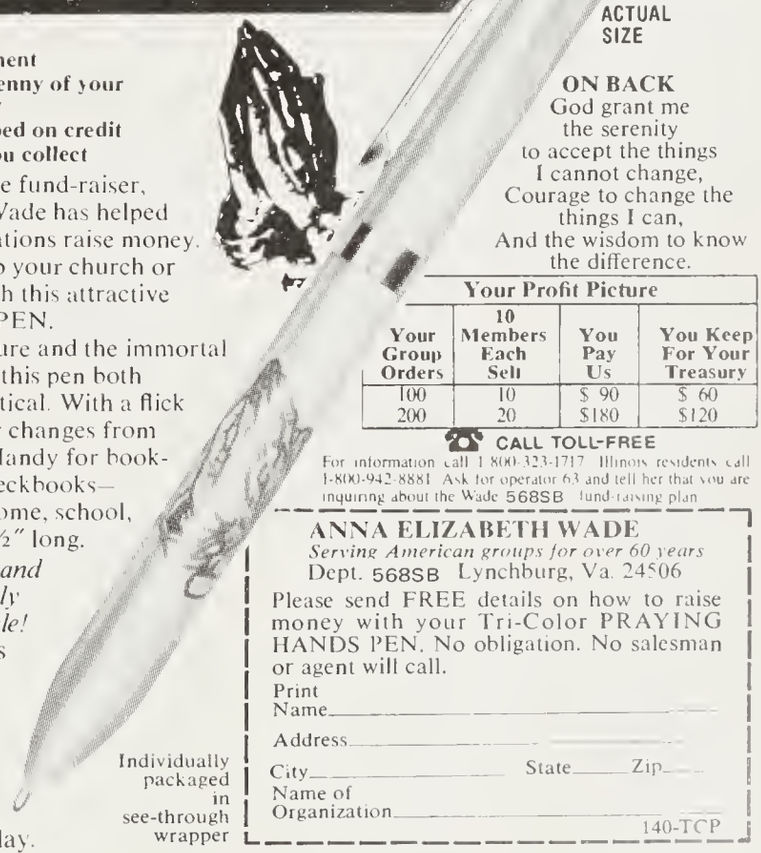

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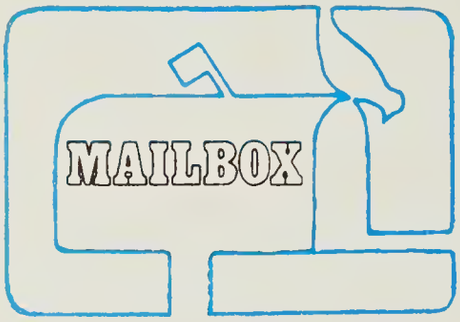

Most Hunters Support "Wildlife Management"

In response to Diane Wilkerson's letter in the December, 1983, "Mailbox" column, let me say that the vast majority of hunters *are* interested in giving animals "a sporting chance." For this very reason, hunters have for many years collectively contributed millions of dollars toward sensible wildlife management. A significant population of animals of many species is important both to preserve the species, and also to provide sufficient numbers for each year's harvest. Thus, the sportsman's interest in the continued well being of animal populations.

Apparently Ms. Wilkerson is not opposed to hunting, but is opposed to how these animals are harvested. To categorize all hunters as irresponsible, trigger-happy, and inhumane is truly as unfair to hunters as she indicates hunters are cruel to animals.

Harvesting animals, both wild and domestic, cannot be done without some amount of pain which accompanies death. This is why the hunter prays for a "clean kill".

David Lanier
Sunset Beach

"More Strict" Wildlife Enforcement Needed

The December *Carolina Country* gave me a couple of thoughts. One related to the "Endangered Species Benefit" item. That's a great idea, which I am assured most Carolinians would support, and benefit from a mutual relationship with these fowl.

Secondly, the Mailbox entry by Diane Wilkerson is very much a reality and true as life. I have talked with lawmakers about enacting stiffer game laws without loopholes (on the order of the DWI law) all to no action because lots of their supporters are the so-called "sportsmen" who are thrilled to gun down or steel trap an animal living its normal life.

Duties of a wildlife officer are more hazardous than any other law enforcement officer and until more strict wildlife enforcement is programmed, it will continue.

Next time you see a hunter dressed in combat military garb, ask him why the combat clothing. Of course, the answer will be "so the deer can't see me." This to me sounds like ego, not common sense, for a deer is color blind!

J. H. Brady
Rt. 2, Supply

November Cover Photo: "A Sad Illustration"

I don't often complain about photographs, but being a photographer and a bread baker I find your November cover a sad illustration of bread from the Tar Heel cookbook.

I don't know what the green plants or the very dizzy background has to do with bread but it sure makes a mess of the photograph.

Charles Wm. Holland
Raleigh

Column: "Right Wing Criticizing "Right Wing"

In reply to the Commentary featuring the article written by J. Marse Grant, editor emeritus of the *Biblical Recorder* and reprinted from *The Charlotte Observer*:

In the first place, I see no wisdom in right wing criticizing right wing. That's pleasing to our adversary. Picking one instance where a minister is doing a good job; pitting it against another minister and comparing the virtues. Is that good taste? Aren't we one body?

I'm not sure which TV minister he had reference to, but we are PTL partners and members of Heritage Village Church. We know about some of the good things they are doing. I would like to mention just a few. First of all, the conventional church as we have known it for the past 60 odd years is definitely not getting the job done. (Obeying Jesus' command—Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, etc.) I understand also the church buildings of our day could only hold one percent of the world's population. To the commission of Jesus is what PTL is totally committed to.

There are very few countries around the world they are not reaching with the gospel. Argentina, Italy, Japan, West Germany, Africa, Central America and the Phillipines, just to mention a few. Forty-one nations to be exact.

They are also active locally. They have marriage seminars, personal counseling in every area of life, employing the cream of our nation's best-qualified teachers. They also have a prison ministry all over the country.

People That Love (PTL) centers all over the country are giving food, clothing, furniture, etc., to needy people. They have follow-up pastors in every area of the U.S. who, when called, will be by your side shortly. In one instance, a lady called in contemplating suicide and the counselor kept her talking until a pastor reached her home.

So, it seems to me, if we have one common goal, which I believe we all share, let's not be quarreling among ourselves as to whom is doing the better job. Let's get on with it, love each other, be happy, quit criticizing and run the race for the prize!

Ernest E. Huss
Lincolnton

"Keep Up The Good Work!"

After purchasing a condo in Ocean Isle, N.C., my husband and I started receiving your publication. I have really enjoyed each issue and especially the December issue. Being a native of Murfreesboro, N.C., it really helps me keep in touch with places and events in North Carolina.

Also, I was delighted to read the review of Mr. Roy Johnson's new book. Mr. Johnson took me on a tour of the places related to the Nat Turner Slave Rebellion in 1831, Southampton County, Va., last fall.

Keep up the good work in providing a very good magazine for so little cost!

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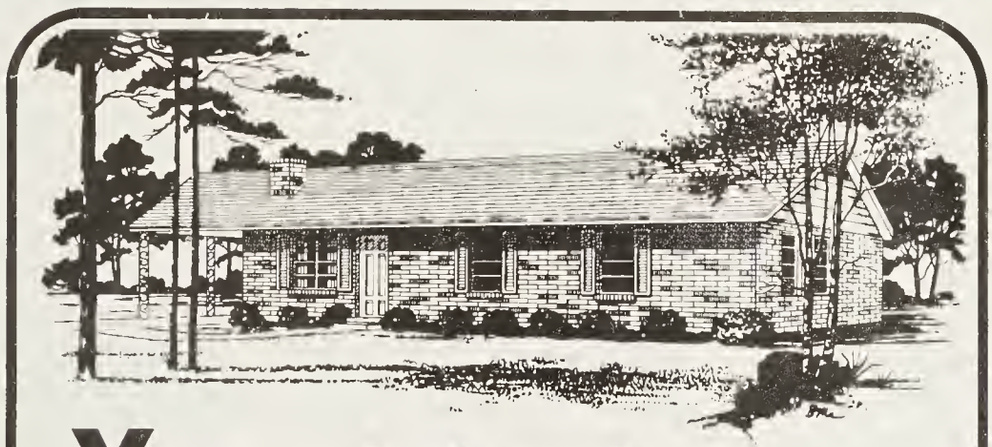

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Dave Everhart of Davie County tosses a log into the wood-fired water stove that he and his sons built using a 2,000-gallon boiler tank they found in a junkyard.

"Junked" Boiler Transformed Into Wood-fired Water Stove

Dave Everhart's answer to the high cost of heating is a wood-fired water stove that he and his two sons built last winter with a 2,000-gallon boiler tank they found at a junkyard.

The 14-foot boiler is set on its end in a shed behind Everhart's house in Davie County. Welded into the boiler is a 275-gallon tank that acts as a firebox.

"It's really been a good project," said Everhart, supervisor at R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. in Winston-Salem. "I enjoyed it and the kids had a good time helping."

Everhart, who is a consumer-member of Crescent Electric Membership Corporation, Statesville, keeps 1,200 gallons of water in the tank. He feeds it twice a day to keep the water at 160 to 180 degrees.

Using a thermostat hooked to a water pump, Everhart circulates the hot water from the boiler through a system of baseboard radiators inside his home.

As the water returns to the boiler, it travels through a four-foot length of four-inch pipe attached to the inside roof of the firebox. This pipe preheats the water before it rejoins the stove's main storage area.

Everhart said he needs only about $300 worth of wood to keep his house heated through the winter. But he won't be spending that much, because he's got 20 acres of wooded land and "if you've got your own wood, it will cost you next to nothing."

In addition to heat, the system provides a continuous supply of hot tap water. A pump forces well water through a coiled, 100-foot section of half-inch copper pipe inside the boiler tank, just above the firebox.

By the time the well water passes through the coil in the tank and into the house, it is the same temperature as the water that is stored in the tank. Everhart keeps his tap water hot through the summer by burning trash in the firebox.

Everhart began experimenting with alternative heating methods in 1976, when the price of oil pushed his fuel bill up to about $1,200 a year.

He tried a wood stove and a wood-fired hot-air circulator. But the former left him with no way of controlling the temperature in the house and the latter had three drawbacks: It made the house smell like smoke; bugs were brought in with the wood and he still had to use oil to heat his tap water.

His present system cost $1,712 in parts and took him and his sons three months of spare time to build and install.

Everhart figures it would have cost him $7,200 to heat his house with oil for the past six years. Instead, he spend $3,815 to build three stoves and a wood splitter—and to buy a chain saw.

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The model, called "Drainmod", can be used for planning improved water management systems for millions of acres of flat, sandy soils.

Drainmod has been tested extensively in Eastern North Carolina, where an estimated one million acres of cropland could benefit from its use. It has also been tested successfully in Florida, Louisiana, Ohio, California and Israel.

Farmers must currently use two systems to manage water. They use open ditches or underground tile lines to remove excess water and they use overhead irrigation to alleviate water shortages.

Drainmod meets both needs with one system.

Underground lines are used to remove excess water during wet periods and to supply subsurface irrigation during droughts.

The model Skaggs has developed tells an engineer exactly how to place the lines, depending on such factors as soil type, rainfall pattern and crops to be grown.

"Our system is based on the assumption that water drained from a field at one period is often needed before the crop is harvested," said Skaggs, who is on the staff of the N.C. Agricultural Research Service.

"In fact, crop yields are sometimes lowest adjacent to deep, open ditches because of over-drainage."

Research indicates that Drainmod can improve crop yields, cut water management costs, and help to protect the environment.

Using weather data for the past 26 years, Skaggs calculated that Drainmod would have enabled farmers to have averaged 175 bushels of corn per acre on one type of poorly drained soil. This was more than twice the yield projected with a conventional water management system consisting of open ditches and no irrigation.

Drainmod is also more economical to install and operate than a water management system consisting of ditches or tile and over-head irrigation.

The Drainmod model calls for underground tile lines as close together as 50 feet. This is closer spacing than is required for conventional underground drainage. However, the added cost is more than off-set by the fact that the same tile is used for both drainage and irrigation.

Water drained from fields during wet weather can be held in nearby canals or ponds. It can then be returned to the root zone of crops as needed through the tile lines by raising it only a few feet with pumps.

This requires much less energy than over-head irrigation systems which draw water from deep wells and then spray it over crops at high pressure.

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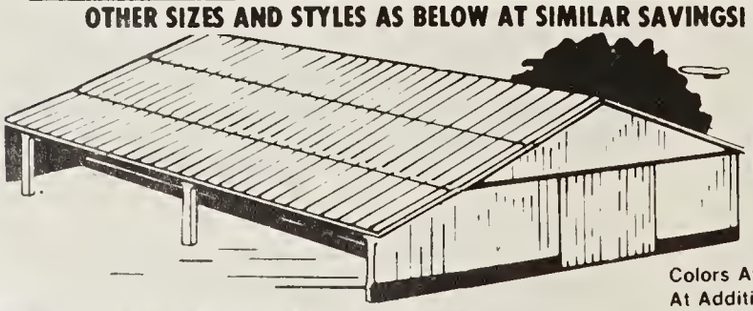

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23	Wake, Wake Forest	Registration: 6:00 p.m. Business Meeting: 7:15 p.m.	Wake Forest-Rolesville Senior High School Gymnasium, Wake Forest
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Grace Freeman: A Poet-Therapist

Although comfortably into her 60s, Grace Freeman isn't content to sit back in a rocker and watch the world go by. She still fulfills several roles: wife, mother, writer, teacher and social worker.

As a writer, her talent has taken many forms: radio and stage plays, a syndicated newspaper column (carried by King Features for 10 years), articles for such noted magazines as *Redbook*, and poems.

Most of all, poems. Freeman's four books of poetry have won writing awards, appeared in multiple editions, and have been used as textbooks at renowned institutions of higher learning.

She has given readings and workshops as far away as the Kennedy Arts Center in Washington and as close as the public library in her home city of Rock Hill, S.C.

There is yet another dimension to Grace Freeman, poet. She believes—and proves—that poetry can be practical, that it can be applied to the everday world, helping people to overcome their problems.

For the last eight years she has worked as a poetry therapist with the Gaston-Lincoln Mental Health Center in Gastonia, helping patients to reduce their anxiety and encouraging them to express their true feelings.

Freeman describes her job as one of "building egos . . . putting into the figurative language of poetry what people can't tell to the professional therapist."

She works with patients who have been released from mental hospitals and are now part of Gaston-Lincoln's day care program.

Each week she conducts two hour-long therapy sessions: one for senior citizens and a smaller, more intensive one for adults aged 21 to 65. Attendance is voluntary.

To begin the session, Freeman spends a few minutes getting the patients to relax, usually by reading one of her early poems.

Then each patient is given a pen and some paper. She has found that most patients express themselves better through writing than through speaking aloud.

Forget about spelling, rhyming or grammar, she tells the class.

"Just concentrate on words that create a picture of how you feel." As an example, she recalls how one patient wrote: "I feel like an old rag doll torn into pieces and thrown on a trash heap."

As the session progresses, many patients open up and express their suppressed feelings of guilt, anger, fear and loneliness. Freeman says that "many find poetry helpful when nothing else reaches them."

Freeman emphatically states that a professional therapist attends all sessions.

It's nice to realize that your children are raised, you're a grandmother, but you still have stimulating things to do, making you busy but happy

"As a poet, my job is to bring out feelings, not to treat them." She adds, "I'm free to talk on a more personal level than the professional therapist, psychiatric social worker or trained counselor."

Not all participants like the sessions, but Freeman feels the program is a success. After a six-month trial in 1975, it was enthusiastically endorsed by the North Carolina Mental Health Association, making Freeman the first known poet to work on a regular basis for a state department of mental health in the Southeast.

"Actually we believed that we'd invented poetry therapy," Freeman says, chuckling. "Then we learned about the National Association for Poetry Therapy. So I joined and did workshops for them."

Freeman has also done workshops with doctors, psychiatrists, and students at prestigious institutions like the Medical University at Chapel Hill and such far away places as Miastricht, Holland.

Her work has helped make poetry therapy as acceptable to health care institutions as other therapy techniques involving the creative and fine arts.

Grace Freeman also channels her creativity, energy and poetry therapy into work with students.

As a poet in the schools for the past nine years, she has found that, "young people, even children in elementary school, have fears, feelings of insecurity, loneliness, guilt about things they have done or thought about. I try to get the people I work with, no matter what their ages, to get their feelings down on paper and to share them.

For Grace Freeman, staying active and helping people is its own kind of therapy. She says, "it's nice to realize that your children are raised, you're a grandmother, but you still have stimulating things to do, making you busy, but happy."

—*Ron Chepesiuk*

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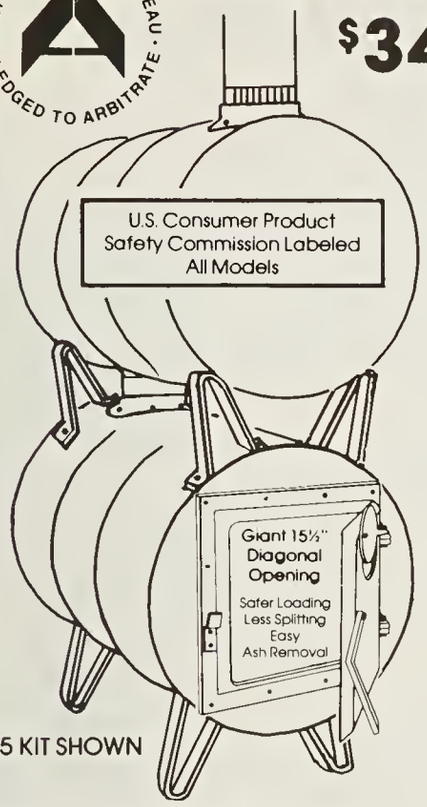

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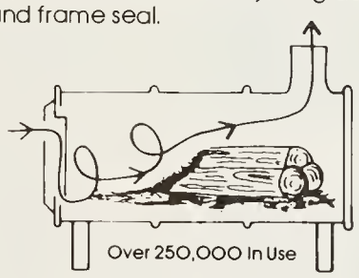

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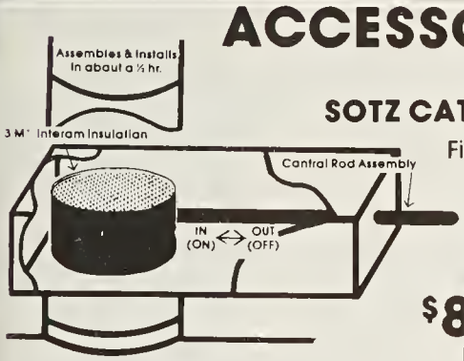

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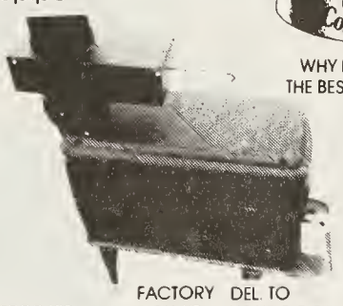

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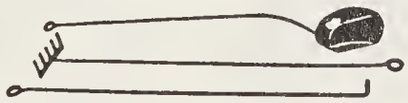

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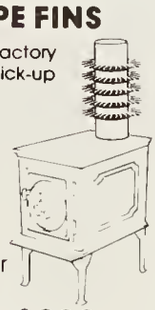

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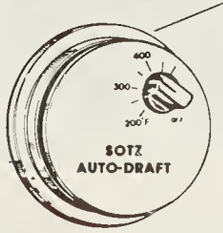

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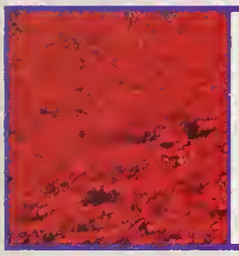

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WASHINGTON SCENE

Federal Deficits: A "Dark Cloud" Hanging Over Economy's Recovery

President Truman once said he wished he had a one-armed economic adviser.

"These fellows around the White House," he complained, "are always saying 'on the other hand.'"

There isn't much "on the other hand" on the part of economists as 1984 gets under way. Almost to a man they agree that the country's recovery from the deep recession is real—and most of them say it is better than they thought it would be.

Inflation has dropped to about 4 percent from its double digit high of three years ago.

Interest rates have come down, although home mortgages are in the 12 percent range and a new car loan is 10 percent on a national average.

Unemployment had been reduced to just over 8 percent, although nine million people are jobless. Still, more than 105 million people are employed, the largest active work force in the nation's history.

Consumer confidence, as measured by the government, is at a five-year high and during the past Christmas season major national chain stores reported record sales and profits. American car makers had their best year in the past five, with sales up 18 percent over 1982.

So it was with confidence that President Reagan, in a bouyant mood, proclaimed that 1983 had been a banner year for the nation's economy and sounded like a candidate who will use that as a theme in the election campaign this year.

But some economists do offer a few "on the other hands" about the recovery's future and some members of Congress share their perspective.

The reason for the reservations is the unprecedented deficit that the federal government is laboring under, something in the neighborhood of $200 billion annually.

Otto Eckstein, a nationally-known economist, calls the deficit a "dark cloud" hanging over the recovery.

Senator Robert Dole (R-Kan) also has warned that the deficits, which are projected to continue through the decade unless something is done, will cause interest rates to rise and inflation to come back. The President's own in-house economist, Martin Feldstein, has warned that unless taxes are raised and spending cut the country may be back where it was in 1981 with higher interest rates and intolerable inflation.

And there were some other blemishes in the economy as 1984 began.

U.S. Steel, the nation's largest steel maker, announced it was closing five of its plants, putting 15,000 employees out of work.

North Carolina Congressman Tim Valentine pointed out that more than 30,000 small businesses had failed during 1983, the largest number since 1932, the worst year of the Great Depression. He said that "high interest rates appear to be the culprit," creating hardship for the small businessman.

Valentine said that federal deficits are the principal cause of high interest rates and added, "Small businesses have a tough enough time competing in the credit market with their larger brethren. They shouldn't have to compete with the government as well."

So while economists agree that President Reagan was justified in calling 1983 a banner year, there is a cloud on the horizon.

It may be a cloud no bigger than a man's hand, or as the Truman economists might see it, "the other hand."

No Decision Yet On Sites For Nuclear Waste Storage

No decision has been reached as to which states will have the dubious honor of being the sites of the nation's storage facilities for high-level nuclear waste. That won't come for several months.

However, out in the desert in New Mexico, work is going on day and night on what the Department of Energy calls the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, which may be a prototype of the storage places for the high-level nuclear waste from the military and the power generating plants that use atomic fuel.

DOE officials say the plant being built, which will cost more than $2 billion, will be a mausoleum for tranuranic waste from the nation's weapons programs. Tranuranic waste is described as waste that gives off less penetrating radiation than high-level refuse, but if its particles enter a body they can be a health hazard for tens of thousands of years.

What is being built, according to Department of Energy spokesmen, is a huge underground repository, consisting of more than 50 chambers, each as long as a football field with ceilings 13 feet high. These are more than 2,000 feet underground, and the structure is being carved out of a huge salt deposit that rests under a barren desert just outside the city of Carlsbad.

While the DOE has said that only transuranic waste will be sent there by truck and train for burial, residents of New Mexico aren't sure and from the governor on down they are worried and upset.

Because of the size of the project and its price tag, many New Mexicans think that it may be used as a permanent storage site for high-level waste. One group is seeking in federal court to halt the project.

The five high-level waste storage sites will have to meet criteria which is being formulated by the Environmental Protection Agency. But because of legislation passed in 1979, the New Mexico project is exempt from EPA regulations. Neither does it need to be licensed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

In fact, DOE is both the builder and the enforcement agency on the New Mexico site and that has some people worried.

"They are answerable only to themselves," said an aide to the New Mexico governor.

Whatever is put there, the process of storing the country's nuclear waste has begun.

Bomb Blast Brings Major Changes At Government Buildings

If you visit the nation's capitol now you will find that some things have changed since you were there last.

Things began to change several months ago when someone left a bomb inside the Capitol. It exploded, injuring no one, but causing considerable damage to a part of the building's interior.

There were published reports that terrorists were planning to attack some of Washington's key buildings, notably the White House, the State Department and the Capitol again.

Suddenly, public areas where people used to roam freely were placed under tight security.

At first, dump trucks filled with sand were parked to block entrances to the White House and the State Department. Visitors to the Capitol had to go through a tight security cordon, and had handbags inspected and packages checked.

Now the trucks are gone, replaced by concrete pillars which would prevent any terrorist striking at these national buildings as they did our Marines in Lebanon.

The government is not under seige, but certainly citizens cannot move around their own capitol as freely as they once did.

But officials say that, given the possibility of a suicide attempt such as that in Beirut, they have no choice but to take precautions.

FmHA Official: Agency Is "Sensitive" To Farmers' Woes

The following letter was written by Larry Godwin, North Carolina's state director for the Farmers Home Administration, in response to the December issue's Washington Scene column, which focused on the federal agency's collection policies.

We have read with great interest your Washington Scene article in the December, 1983, edition of *Carolina Country*. The article was entitled "FmHA Adds New Pressures To U.S. Farmers, Who Already Have Their Backs To The Wall." The thrust of the article seemed to portray the nation's farming community to be in disarray and that portion of this community who looked to the Farmers Home Administration for credit and financial assistance to be subjected to the additional burdens brought on by our "more aggressive collection policies."

Please allow us an opportunity to address our concerns for those North Carolina farmers who are our borrowers and particularly those who are experiencing financial stress.

Foremost among our concerns at present is the pall that is being cast in the media of the lack of empathy of Farmers Home Administration officials and employees for the circumstances of our farm borrowers. "Thoughtless bureaucrats" is a recent characterization of FmHA officials in the media, and while your article is not as ungracious, that tenor can be seen without difficulty.

No type-casting could be more erroneous than that which implies that our people are uncaring and callous. No group of public employees with which the farming community has contact is more sensitive to their problems than is the Farmers Home Administration. No lender will stay longer or go to the extra lengths that are sometimes needed to assure the continuance of a farming operation than FmHA.

We believe that in this setting and with this commitment by FmHA to its farm borrowers, it is reasonable to ask that our borrowers honor their loan payments and commitments to FmHA to the extent allowed by their circumstances. To do otherwise would be both a disservice to the individual farmer and to the taxpayer who has expressed interest and confidence—through the Farmers Home Administration—in that farming operation.

Failures occur in agriculture as in other small and not so small businesses. You may rest assured, however, that our agency will remain—on a case-by-case basis—involved in the farming operations of our borrowers to the maximum extent possible consistent with our obligations as a creditor, the commitment expressed in this letter, and to the taxpayers.

Hiney Wine: A Truly Fine Bottom Line

If you've been within earshot of Raleigh's WKIX "morning man" Pat Patterson in recent months, you may have heard him touting the many virtues of the one-and-only Hiney Wine—produced at the Lizard Lick winery of brothers Big Red and Thor Hiney.

These "commercials," complete with musical jingles, promote this ficticious brand of wine—available in pop-top cans, no less—with a shameless string of puns, including: "You only go around once in life, so grab for all the Hiney you can get."

The fact that these spots are airing on a Raleigh station—and on 169 other stations across the country—is something of a tribute (?) to the American economic system.

The idea for the "commercials" was developed by a couple of fellows at a Dallas radio station, who began syndicating them in August, 1982, with an investment of only $2,000.

This year, they expect to see gross (indeed!) income from the syndication fees and sales of Hiney Wine T-shirts, baseball caps, bumper stickers and other paraphernalia reach about $4 million.

Terry Dorsey says he got the idea for the "commercials" while working as a disc jockey in Dayton, Ohio, but didn't develop any until September, 1981, when he joined a Dallas station. That station's manager, T. J. Donnelly, joined forces with Dorsey to launch the new enterprise.

What do these pun-loving entrepreneurs think their success says about Americans?

The question was posed to Donnelly by a news service reporter;

"What it says? I don't know what it says."

Blame It On The Computer

If this magazine arrived at your home late this month—as it almost surely did—blame it on the computer.

I know—that's what everybody says to excuse just about any and all sins these days. But this time, *it really was* the computer!

However, it wasn't just the hardware and software that didn't cooperate.

For several years, we've been using our own computer-based typesetting system to prepare the magazine for the printer. Since the equipment needed updating, we had a new one installed in January.

Getting it in place and operating proved to be no simple task—and that was just the beginning of our problems.

The unit was delivered to our back door, but the delivery men didn't bring it upstairs to its final resting place—as the shipper ordered.

So, when the installer arrived without a contingent of machine-movers, he was stymied until the delivery outfit could get someone back to move the machine up those stairs. It finally made the trip the next day, but by then the installer was otherwise engaged and couldn't get back for a couple of days.

Meanwhile, our typesetter—Cheryle Mangum—was getting antsy about learning the ropes on the new machine after taking a short training course in Greensboro, as our February issue deadline approached.

Once she took over the machine's keyboard, it quickly produced type—but it turned out to be too light for good reproduction. We put out as SOS and the installer returned to find that we needed "an adjustment."

We were finally in business—or so we thought. Then, about 24 hours before our deadline for shipping materials to the printer, that innocent-looking machine instantly grew horns and a tail—and "locked up," as they say in the trade.

The unit wouldn't respond to anything. It was Saturday afternoon and there was no chance of getting the installer back before Monday—and that's when the printer expected to get our package.

In a panic, Cheryle tried telephoning other typesetter contacts in search of aid. Finally, one of them made a suggestion that did the trick.

It was a glitch in the softwear, the friend said. And our chances of having experienced it were about one in a billion!

How lucky can you get!

Despite it all, the magazine's pages—all 40 of them—did finally come together at the printer's the following Tuesday.

So, you see, *it really was* the computer!

—*Owen Bisho*

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It took us 50 years to strengthen this farming partnership. Well, now, the second 50 years, we're branching out to become stronger than ever before.

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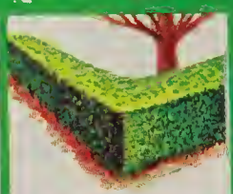

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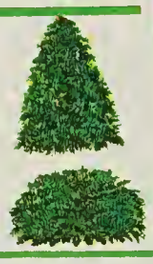

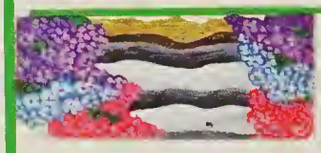

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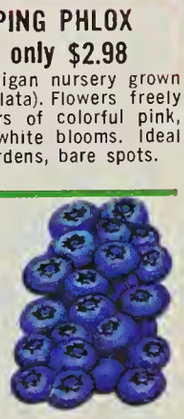

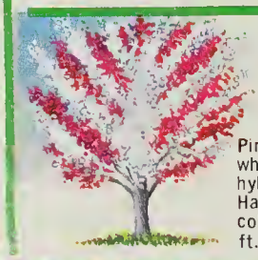

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